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AUSTRIA'S PITIFUL PLIGHT

CAUSES INTERNATIONAL JEALOUSY

LONDON, August 29.

Austria's pitiful plight has evoked many sympathies but has also rekindled the acute international jealousy between Italy on the one hand and the Little Entente, now comprising Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Rumania and Poland on the other. Each side is fearful that the other may profit by Austria's adversity to gain an economic or political foothold prejudicial to itself. Italy is particularly suspicious of the growing strength of the Little Entente and conferences are now being held between representatives of Czechoslovakia and Rumania regarding the measures to adopt concerning Austria. There is even some talk of military occupation of portions of Austrian territory, both by Italians and Yugoslavia with the ostensible purpose of securing internal order in case of outbreaks among the despairing populations. This means that the fat will soon be in the fire.

EUROPEAN RECONSTRUCTION.

AMERICA NOT READY YET.

WASHINGTON, August 29.

Any hopes entertained in Europe that the London pronouncement by Governor Cox foreboded a change of U.S.A. policy, at any rate for the present, are likely to be disappointed, judging by statements made to the White House to-day, intimating that the government is keeping in touch with European affairs in an informal but consistent way, and waiting the time when they can take a more formal part in the restoration of financial stability abroad. They represent President Harding as thinking the time unripe for the United States to participate in an international conference aiming at a solution of financial problems and as having no intention of sending Mr. Hoover to Europe in the capacity suggested.

GREEK-TURKISH WAR.

FURTHER FIERCE FIGHTING.

ATHENS, August 29.

The offensive leading to the abandonment of Afankarabassar is officially described as most violent. A communiqué adds that the Greeks occupied a line west of the town. A violent charge by Turkish cavalry, supported by artillery, was repulsed on Monday near El Vanlar. The Turks were pursued.

RAILWAY JUNCTION EVACUATED.

LONDON, August 29.

It is officially announced from Athens that the important Anatolian railway junction at Afankarabassar has been evacuated by the Greeks, evidently in consequence of a vigorous offensive begun by the Turks.

MORE INDIAN RIOTS.

A SITUATION THAT SEEMS CRITICAL.

MADRAS, August 30.

A report from Peddapuram by a correspondent of the newspaper *Swarajya* says the police stations in the Godavery districts are reported to have been looted. The district magistrate with a hundred armed police has arrived, and the military are expected shortly. The situation seems critical.

RUBBER RESTRICTION.

DUTCH GOVERNMENT AGAINST COMPULSION.

AMSTERDAM, August 29.

It is reliably reported that the Government has notified the International Rubber Growers' Association of the Dutch East Indies that it sees no way to take compulsory measures to improve the situation as regards the rubber industry.

THE MARK MARKET.

LONDON, August 29.

Marks touched 5500 and 7200 and closed at 6750.

LAW AND TRAMCARS.

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There is some interest attaching to a recent decision at Home. The question whether a tramcar is a privileged vehicle was raised at the Manchester County Court during the hearing of a claim for damages by a woman who was hurt in a collision between a tramcar and a motor-lorry.

The accident occurred in a fog in which, according to the evidence, it was impossible to see more than two

or three yards ahead. The tram ran into the motor-lorry which was travelling in front of it.

Counsel for the plaintiff stated that the driver of the tram sounded his gong continually for a considerable distance. The driver of the lorry must have heard it, and should have got off the metals.

Judge Mellor: Why? He had as much right there as the other. The position is not that the tramways have an extra right to the road and other traffic must get out of the way. I know there are tram drivers who think that is the position, but that view is not encouraged in this court. The lorry had quite as much right on the rails as the tramcar.

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REPARATIONS POSITION.

NEW PLAN THAT MAY WORK.

PARIS, August 29.

The reparations commission continues to conduct informal conversations with a view to reaching agreement on the deadlock before the arrival of the German representatives now on their way to Paris but little reliable information has leaked out. There is however, a noteworthy change in to-day's press comment, it being generally agreed that no matter how radically opinions vary a split must be avoided. Attention is being fastened on a plan credited to Sir John Bradbury of which particulars have not been disclosed but which *Le Matin* considers very satisfactorily worked out and likely to provide sound guarantees and pledges for France.

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COUNTY CRICKET.

SOME DETAILS.

LONDON, August 29.

At Lords in the first innings of the match with Middlesex, Hobbs of Surrey scored 126.

Kent beat Gloucester at Cheltenham by an innings and 67. Gloucester's first innings realized only 63, Freeman taking six wickets for 10. The second innings produced 138. "Freeman 654" (whatever that means).

Warwick beat Somerset at Taunton by seven wickets. Derby won on first innings against Worcester at Worcester. Hon. J. Coventry for the home XI scored 88. Leicester beat Glamorgan in the first innings.

AMERICAN AND EUROPE.

SPECULATION IN LONDON.

LONDON, August 29.

Colonel House formerly ex-President Wilson's most confidential adviser breakfasted with Mr. Lloyd George at Downing Street. Various matters connected with the economic and financial condition of Europe were discussed. This, following Governor Cox's interview with the Premier on Saturday, is causing much speculation.

AMERICA'S ANTHRACITE ARGUMENT.

PEACE AGREEMENT PROBABLE.

NEW YORK, August 29.

It is authoritatively learned that the Government's intention to seize the anthracite coal mines will not be executed. On the contrary the peace agreement will probably be signed within a week.

STEAMER LOST.

BIG LOSS OF LIFE.

SANTIAGO, CHILE, August 29.

Of a hundred and fifty passengers and a crew of seventy all were lost in the wreck of a Chilean steamer "Itata" in the river near Coquimbo.

NEW BELGIAN COMMANDANT FOR PEKING.

BRUSSELS, August 29.

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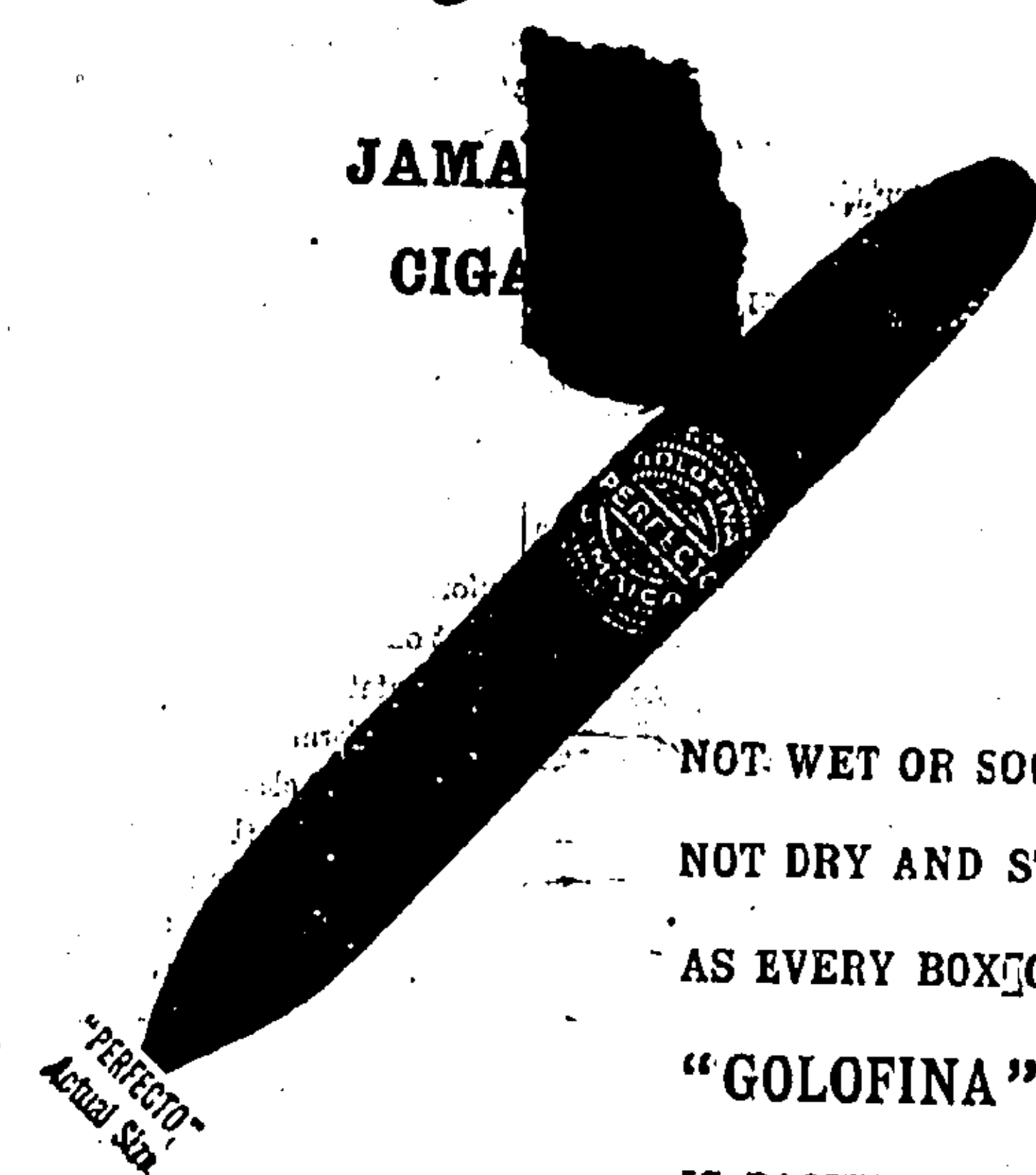
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SOCIETY LIBEL SUIT.

LADY MARKHAM'S ENGAGE-
MENT.A libel action arising out of an an-
nouncement of the reported engage-
ment of Mr. James Conway Davies,
former secretary of the Government
Hospitality Fund, of Longridge Road,
Earl's Court, to Lady Markham, came
before Mr. Justice Darling and a
special jury in the King's Bench
Division, London, on July 3rd.Mr. Davies was plaintiff in the ac-
tion and claimed damages for libel
from the Sunday Times, Limited, the
St. Clement's Press, Limited, the prin-
ters, and Mr. Albert Edward Hake.Mr. Douglas Hogg, R. C., and Mr.
Clement M. Davies, appeared for Mr.
Davies and the defendants were re-
presented by Mr. Patrick Hastings,
K. C. and Sir Hugh Fraser.The defendants denied the words
published were of a defamatory
character or libellous.Mr. Douglas Hogg said he would
have to tell the jury something of
what might have been a happy
romance, but which turned out to
have had a very sad ending for his
client. It was the story of a man who
was attracted by a lady of great charm
and of well known position and stand-
ing, whose hopes were destroyed
almost at a moment's notice when the
lady, after being engaged to him for
some months, went away and married
someone else.The announcement of the engage-
ment appeared in the Press, and what
Mr. Davies was complaining of was
not that announcement. What they
did complain was that the Sunday
Times took upon itself to suggest that
Mr. Davies never was engaged to this
lady, but that what he had done was
to try and force the lady's
hand and trick her into marriage
by making a false announcement of
her engagement, or that he did not
contradict it when the lady was
abroad and knew nothing about it.
It was this suggestion that the
plaintiff was determined to refute
once and for all.Mr. Davies was born about 30 years
ago in Wales, went on counsel and
had been educated at the University
College, Aberystwyth, going from
there to Cambridge where he had a
distinguished career in history and
historical research.In 1918 he was appointed Secretary
of the Government Hospital Com-
mittee, and early in 1921 he was
introduced to Lady Markham. She
was the widow of Sir Arthur Markham
and friend of Mr. Lloyd George, and a
prominent political hostess, who took
part prominently in political events
at that time. He was first introduced
to her in connection with entertain-ments given to the Dominion Prime
Ministers and others.PROPOSED AND ACCEPTED.
In August 1921, added counsel, Mr.
Davies spent his vacation in Wales,
and Lady Markham and her two sons
were constantly together and their
friendship ripened into something
more than friendship. The lady was
not indifferent and on 1st October
1921, he proposed to her, and she
accepted him. It was agreed that at
this time there should be no public
announcement, as the lady's children
might object.He might, if the defendants
made it necessary, have to read letters
which would indicate the position of
the plaintiff and Lady Markham.Mr. Hastings intimated that it was
not denied by the defendants that Mr.
Davies and Lady Markham were en-
gaged.Mr. Hogg said that in December
there was a conference at Cannes.
Lady Markham was there and one of
the persons there in an official position
was Lord Riddell. On 15th January
there appeared in the News of the
World, which was owned by Lord
Riddell, an announcement of the
engagement of Mr. Davies and Lady
Markham under the heading, 'Lady
Markham to marry a Government
official. News of the World Special.'Mr. Justice Darling: You attribute
the announcement of the engagement
to Lord Riddell, and Lord Riddell
was liaison officer, which is French for
engagement. (Laughter.)Mr. Hogg: I thank your lordship.
I had never noticed it.Mr. Hogg added that other papers
took up the matter. There were a
number of public functions during
that week, including a reception at
Devonshire House and a dinner to the
Prime Minister, and at these Lady
Markham introduced Mr. Davies to
her friends as her fiancé.MARRIED THE NEXT DAY.
At one reception given the plaintiff
was introduced to Sir William Parry,
editor in chief of the Sunday Times,
and Sir William congratulated both
Mr. Davies and Lady Markham upon
their engagement, and asked them to
give him exclusively the date of their
marriage. Lady Markham promised
to give him the date.Shortly afterwards Mr. Davies
became ill and Lady Markham went
to Paris. Letter passed between them
such as one would expect. The lady
was taken ill in Paris, but she return-
ed in March. She had written to Mr.
Davies from Paris asking that the
engagement should be broken off. He
wrote to Lady Markham, and when
she returned there was a meeting and
a conversation. Lady Markham then
told Mr. Davies that there was so
much opposition and criticism from
her children that she could not go on
with the engagement.On 15th March she called at Mr.
Davies's house and from what then
took place the plaintiff knew that
there was an end of their association.
On 16th March Lady Markham was
married to Colonel O'Hea, and there
was an announcement in the papers.
There was a long article in the
Evening Standard, in connection with
which a writ had been issued by Mr.
Davies.The alleged libel complained of was
contained in the Sunday Times on
22nd March, and referred to the en-
gagement of the plaintiff and Lady
Markham in the following terms:"The marriage of Lucy Mary Mark-
ham to Lieutenant-Colonel James
O'Hea at St. James's Catholic Church,
Spanish place, last Thursday, provides
the most complete if somewhat be-
lated denial of the rumours so diligen-
tly circulated at the beginning of the
year that Lady Markham had become
engaged to Mr. J. Conway Davies, ex-
Secretary of the Government Hospi-
tality Fund. This report was never
contradicted because, as an intimate
friend of Lady Markham remarked,
there was nothing to deny.""The engagement was never official-
ly announced and Lady Markham was
abroad when the report was first cir-
culated and was unaware of the future
plan for her, while Mr. Davies, who
ought to have known, refused to
confirm or deny the report."Counsel said his client had brought
these proceedings to vindicate his
honour entirely, and not for the
purpose of obtaining damages.Mr. James Conway Davies, the
plaintiff, gave evidence bearing out
Mr. Hogg's opening statement and
said that his father and grandfather
were proprietors of the South Wales
Press.In cross-examination by Mr.
Patrick Hastings, Mr. Davies stated
that he had issued two writs, one
against the Evening Standard and the
Daily Sketch, and the other against
the Sunday Times.Mr. Patrick Hastings: Have
you ever given them an
opportunity of making any explana-
tion?—No, because I thought this
could only be done in open court.
The thing had to be nailed down.Does it not occur to you that bring-
ing this case into court in this way
would cause great pain to Lady
Markham?—I have desired all
through to protect Lady Markham in
every possible way, but I had to con-
sider the alternative, which was my
own honour, which had been assailed:Is it your object to get damages?—
No, my object is to get such a
verdict as to convince everybody that
these statements are false. I make
no suggestion against Sir William
Parry.

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Hongkong, August 28, 1922.

INTIMATIONS.



RABIES.

A Case of Rabies having been verified in May Road the attention of dog owners is drawn to paragraph 2 of the "Dogs" regulations requiring owners to report any suspected case to the nearest Police Station.

The public are also requested to report any suspicious case that comes to their notice either to the Police or the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon direct.

G. R. SAYER,
Head of the Sanitary Department.
Hongkong, August 29, 1922.

NOTICE.

I, H. M. H. NEMAZEE, of Prince's Buildings, 1 Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, hereby give notice that in accordance with the conditions of purchase and for uniformity with the names of the vessels owned by me, I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1890, in respect of the ship "BOSMA" of Hongkong official No. 141619 of gross tonnage 9631 tons register tonnage 6171 tons hitherto owned by me for permission to change her name to "FRANGESTAN" and to have her registered in the new name at the port of Hongkong as owned by me.

Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within seven days of the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at Hongkong, this Twenty-fifth day of August, 1922.

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INTIMATIONS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office of the Society, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on Tuesday the Fifth day of September 1922, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the Meeting held on the 18th day of August 1922, and of confirming if thought fit the following Resolution as a Special Resolution—

"That the new Articles already approved by the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Society to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof."

Dated this 19th day of August 1922.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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A NEW CLASS FOR BEGINNERS will commence on MONDAY, 11th September, 1922, if sufficient support be forthcoming. Applications for enrolment and enquires regarding hours of School, Fees, etc., should be made to the undersigned as early as possible.

By Order,
D. K. BLAIR,
Secretary.
Hongkong, August 28, 1922.

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BIRTHS.

WILSON.—On August 16, to Mr. and Mrs. John G.P. Wilson, Fookchow, a son.

LURTON.—On August 24, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Lurton, a daughter.

DEATHS.

RODRIGUES.—On August 24, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, Joanna Angelica Maher Rodrigues, aged 47 years.

ARTINDALE.—On August 25, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, George Richard Artindale, aged 45 years.

KILKENNY.—On August 25, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, John James Kilkenny (Detective Sergeant, S.M.P.) aged 29 years.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, AUG. 30, 1922.

THE PONTIFICAL PRESS.

Do Pressmen pontificate? It is not uncommon for persons in disagreement with them to sneer at them as "pontifical." It is a splendid sneer, but too easy. Its suggestion is, of course, that the newspaper writer is writing as if he claimed the infallibility of the Pontiff, or Pope. As any man who pretends to infallibility is, on the face of it, an ass, it must be a great comfort sometimes to call a newspaper writer pontifical. There may be newspapermen who do write in a manner to invite such a sneer. There are, we know, newspapermen who never, except under severe pressure, admit mistakes. They regard that as a case of "eating their own words," and the disinclination to reverse an opinion, even after receipt of new facts, indicates inferentially some claim to infallibility. We call all our readers to witness that the *China Mail* cannot fairly be so accused. Quite clearly it was said that we were "rather fond of eating our own words," and although we would

prefer to express it differently, we admit it. By that we mean that we are anxious to correct ourselves when need arises, and see no shame in admitting that we have been misled, or that facts have come to our notice of which we may have been ignorant. We do not worship that "consistency" which consists of clinging to error after the error has been recognized. Nor do we pretend to immunity from error, for that would indeed be "pontifical." The utmost we claim is that we are human, sharing the frailties of humanity, but possessing (we hope) at least the average intelligence. Comparisons have encouraged this hope.

Our readers would testify, we believe, that if ever there was a newspaper which could not honestly be accused of "pontification," that paper must be the *China Mail*. If we have said once, we have said it many times, that a newspaper utterance should not be taken any more seriously than the utterance of any average man at a street corner or in a club. This is one of the ideas we have been most earnest in promoting, because we have realized the great mischief that the Press, when too seriously taken, is capable of. Here we may look for the right answer to our opening question. It is not so much that Pressmen pontificate as that too many of the people attribute to the Press pontifical infallibility. They saw it in print—argue, it must be true. That is a superstition surviving from the days when printing was rarer, more costly, and possibly more conscientious. It may even lurk unsuspected at the back of the mind of an intelligent reader, a fruitage of unconscious habit. It is an absurd superstition in these days, when it is easy to perceive that the Press is open to any person who can spell, and even to those who cannot. The Press is no longer a medium reserved for scholarship, for scientific thinking, for ripe reason—if it ever was. It is possible to discover nowadays the man behind, and to wonder why his dictum should be so much more impressive in print than it is when offered viva voce in company.

It is a pity we may not say this "once for all," but we know that the need for repetition is bound to arise. We say it now, and say it plainly: Every statement of opinion in the *China Mail* has been and is offered with this understood preamble: "Here is an idea that has occurred to us. It may be wrong. We think it, as we are at present informed, right. If we learn more that

shows it wrong, we will hasten to say so. Meanwhile we present it and argue for it as a right opinion."

It is entirely natural and human to support an idea that occurs to oneself, because one has the illusion that one has originated it. It is a part of self. It would be inhuman and unnatural to present an idea baldly and say "it is probably wrong," although that might fit nine out of ten. It is to be regarded as right until disproved, or conquered by some superior idea. We spoke on Monday of the law of survival of the fittest among ideas. It is a fact that a man may acquire a useful idea from the rival presentation of two contradictory and wrong ideas. Since A is wrong and B is wrong, the reader argues, probably no man knows enough about it to be right, and I may as well act on that inference and regard the problem as unanswered. Which may be itself a very good idea.

It is quite possible to pontificate against pontificanism, you see.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

We are informed by the Colonial Secretariat that Fookchow will remove the quarantine against Hongkong on August 31.

The late Mr. James Henry Osborne, of Shanghai, and of the Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd., left personal estate of the gross value of \$4,385.

Ho See, a widow, living at No. 23, Hinglong Street, reports that her daughter, named Wu Ta, 15 years of age, absconded at 1 p.m., on Monday, taking with her an 11-year-old mistress named Chan Kam, and \$500 in cash belonging to the mother.

Mr. H. G. Theyken, manager of Messrs. Liggett and Myers Tobacco Co., reports that Messrs. Andersen, Meyer and Co's No. 1, godown was entered during last night by breaking a window and releasing the catch, and 75,000 "Old Mill" cigarettes (duty paid) worth \$450 were stolen.

The accountant of the trading launch "Tungles," owned by the Shun Kee Co., of No. 11, Taiyuan Street, reports that sometime between 11 p.m. on the 28th and 2.30 a.m. on the 29th, his cabin was entered and a rattan basket containing clothing and money worth \$133 was stolen.

An arrangement has just been put into force by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company to supply home-bound vessels with fresh vegetables. Under the new plan the "Outboard" steamers will carry fresh vegetables from San Francisco for turning over to the Homeward-bound steamers at Yokohama.

Pearls worth \$250 which was reported yesterday to have been stolen from the Tai Tak Jeweller's shop of No. 208, Queen's Road Central, by a *kokoi* who absconded with the pearls and some gold which had been entrusted to him to make some jewellery, have been recovered by the Police at the Po Cheung pawnshop of No. 43, Cochrane Street.

The *London Gazette*, announces under date Foreign Office, July 17, that the King has been pleased to approve of M. Johan Olaf de Lilliehöök as Consul-General of Sweden for Hongkong; Phra Pradibaddha Bhupal as Consul-General of Siam at Singapore; Senor Don Eleodoro Rouillon as Consul of Peru at Hongkong; and Luang Sri Savamkitch as Vice-Consul of Siam at Singapore.

Lieut.-Col. Cecil Pender Griffith, D.S.O., of Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire, Devon, late 1st (Duke of York's Own) Lancers, who took part in the Tirah Campaign of 1897-8 and in the China War of 1900, being present at the Relief of Feking and the actions of Peking and Yangtze, and who died on April 2, aged 58, son of the late Col. Griffith, 45th Regiment, left estate of the gross value of £1,853, with net personally £503.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the U. S. Consulate from the Manila Observatory at 9.30 a.m. August 30.

Typhoon in about 120 deg. Long. E. 25 deg. Lat. N. moving N.N.W.

HOT-WEATHER HEADACHES.

A frequent cause of hot-weather headaches is torpid liver. To gently stimulate the liver, digest constipation, sick headache, or biliousness, use

PINKETTES

the safety little laxative which cleanses the bowels, purges, promotes daily regularity, clears the skin, removes the causes of coated tongue and ill-smelling breath. Of chemists, or post free, 6d. each, the *China Mail*, 96 Esplanade Road, Shanghai.

SHANGHAI COTTON MFG. CO.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

HOUSES TO BE BUILT FOR MILL HANDS.

The annual general meeting of the Shanghai Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd. (The Shanghai Boshoku Kabushiki Kaisha) was held on August 24, Mr. M. Nudaira, presiding, supported by Mr. J. Prentice, Mr. H. E. Morris, Mr. W. J. N. Dyer and Mr. K. Otani (directors), and Mr. K. Kuroda (secretary). The attendance represented 49,038 shares.

The notice convening the meeting and the auditors' report having been read, the Chairman said:—

Gentlemen.—The report and accounts for the year ended June 30, 1922, having been in your hand for some days, with your permission I will take them as read.

The result of the year's working has, in our opinion, been on the whole satisfactory, though not as bright as the two preceding years.

The early part of this year under review was as good as could be wished for, but the nearer approach to the close of the year, the worse the market became. The margin of profit was reduced to almost a minimum, and had it not been the case with mills of superior productive power, the balance at credit of the profit and loss account would have been much smaller.

The opening of the new year, likewise, does not warrant an optimistic view, and I earnestly hope that the general condition of the market, etc., may soon improve and so enable our mills to continue to be run without restricting their output.

Buildings, machinery and equipment in your mills have received very careful attention and apart from sundry additions and improvements that were made, as much as £12,319.40 was spent for their renewal and repair, which amount, as usual, was charged direct to the working account.

In order to meet the ever-increasing pay roll on labour, the management are assiduously endeavouring to reduce other items in production cost, and with sundry up-to-date modern equipments such as water, plants, etc., and other improvements on conveyance of coal and other matters, satisfactory results are anticipated.

Some of the old buildings are, however, not up to the mark, as reported before, but after having been temporarily repaired, they may be able to stand for use for a further period.

NEW WEAVING MILL.

As I informed you at the last meeting and also as stated in the report, your directors, after careful consideration, have decided to have a new additional weaving mill with capacity of 983 looms within No. 2 Mill compound at an approximate cost of £15,760,000.

Complete machinery was ordered and some of it has already arrived and the work of building is progressing favourably. The looms for this new mill are of the most improved type, especially suitable for Chinese sheeting, and expected to yield much better results than the ones at present in use. The supply of power will be made by the S. M. C.

The question of labour, as we stated before, is getting to be one of the most difficult problems, and is receiving the serious attention of the management.

The wave of class war which has been spreading rapidly all over the world, did not spare this old peace-loving nation, and here in Shanghai, those connected with various industries have equally suffered and hardly any have escaped from some menace.

I think it is time to give most careful and far-sighted consideration to devising ways and means to reduce this kind of trouble to the minimum.

For the reason stated in the report and for the purpose of relieving shortage of housing accommodation among our workmen, whose welfare should not be lost sight of, your directors have acquired certain land within easy reach of the mills and have erected a number of houses. The result of the enterprise, I am glad to say, is exceedingly good.

Gentlemen, this all I have to say, but before placing resolutions before you, if anyone has any questions to ask, I shall be very pleased to answer them to the best of my ability.

MR. ROBERTSON'S CRITICISM.
Mr. Horatio Robertson criticized the purchase of 100 mow of land. He also thought it was quite time the company called a halt. They would soon have more of their capital in unproductive building than in machinery. He opposed the purchase of new machinery costing nearly eight lakhs. Looms could have been imported for a great deal less.

The Chairman replied that the questions were somewhat argumentative, so he did not propose to answer them. With regard to

AQUATICS.

INTERPORT PROGRAMME.

THE SHANGHAI TEAM.

The official programme for the interport swimming gala, which is to take place at the Shanghai Rowing Club bath on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 7, 8, and 9, has been announced as follows:—

FIRST DAY, SEPTEMBER 7.

One Length Handicap (heats).
100 yds. Breast Stroke (Interport).
Two Lengths Back Stroke (heats).
Throwing the polo ball (Interport).
Two Lengths Handicap (heats).
Long Plunge (handicap).
220 yds. (Interport).
Diving—Two from Springboard and one from step.

Water polo—Shanghai vs. Kobe.

SECOND DAY, SEPTEMBER 8.

One Length Handicap (final).
100 yds. Back Stroke (Interport).
One Length ladies' race (handicap).
Two Lengths breast stroke (heats).
Team race (Interport).
Long Plunge (Interport).
Two Lengths Handicap (final).
880 yds. (Interport).
Water Polo—Hongkong vs. Kobe.

THIRD DAY, SEPT. 9.

Two Lengths Back Stroke (final).
100 yds. (Interport).
One Length Blindfold Race.
Diving (Interport).
Two Lengths Breast Stroke (final).
Life Saving Race.
440 yds. (Interport).
Pillow fight.

Water polo—Shanghai vs. Hongkong.

The Hongkong contingent which sails by the s.s. "Angkor" on or about September 1, will be as follows:—G. W. Sewell (Capt.), J. Stewart, E. Buschardt, J. Johnstone, D. Laing and E. A. Noronha, G. A. V. Hall, M. A. R. de Souza, D. Laing and G. A. Jack.

With the exception of Sewell, Stewart and Lyon, it will be seen that the members of the Hongkong team have already represented the Colony when Shanghai visited here last year and left their flag behind. The three new members of the team, particularly Lyon, who did not take part in the last interport because he was absent from the Colony, are also tried, reliable swimmers, and Hongkong has every reason to be satisfied with its representatives, and to be confident that they will give a good account of themselves against Kobe and Shanghai. If they do not bring back the flags of these two ports, it would not be for the want of trying. In our estimation, the team will take some wacking and if Ko's or Shanghai succeed in pulling off the trick, then they must be a mighty good lot of cracks and we shall not begrudge them their victory. Of the Kobe team, nothing is known here, and it is quite on the cards that they might put something over both Shanghai and Hongkong. Shanghai, of course, will have the advantage over both Kobe and Hongkong as being at home they would naturally have more material in hand to draw from, and indications are that they are very confident of victory. Although Siammen is at present away in the United States, where, by the way, he is doing fine, covering the 100 yards in 59 secs., in New York; they have an equally good sprint swimmer in the person of Fetherstonhaugh, and Brodie, the Goldman brothers, C. M. Brown, Encarnacao and Remedios are all again available and in fine trim according to the latest reports received here from private sources. Then there are two new men, Jansen and Remedios' younger brother, mentioned as useful candidates for inclusion in the team. Old friend McCabe, also, must not be forgotten, and he will again be a thorn in the side of our men in throwing the polo ball. A tough opponent in the person of Torley will be absent from Shanghai's team it is indicated. He is reported to have caught a chill and, under medical advice must not swim.

Other remarks made by Mr. Robertson on the land purchased, etc., he (the Chairman) would give full details after the meeting.

The following resolutions were carried unanimously:—

That the business report for the second financial year, the balance sheet, general inventory of assets and profit and loss account, as presented, for the year ended June 30, 1922, be adopted and passed.—Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. J. Prentice.

That the suggested appropriation of the balance at credit of profit and loss account, as presented, be sanctioned and passed.—Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. J. Prentice.

That Mr. E. S. Wilkinson and Mr. Benji Ide be elected auditors of the company.—Proposed by Mr. Takahashi, seconded by Mr. Ikeda.

TRIAL FOR PERJURY.

"NOT GUILTY" THE VERDICT.

A verdict of "not guilty" was returned yesterday afternoon by the special jury which investigated the charge of perjury preferred against a well-to-do Chinese named Fung Yan Sam.

After the evidence for the defence was finished Mr. Elsie Zaitin who appeared as counsel for the prisoner addressed the jury. He submitted that the defendant's action would not have succeeded in delaying proceedings, the motive suggested by the prosecution. He urged that the defendant's statements were entirely explain if the Jury accepted his statement that he did not know the firm by the English name of Walter Ford and Co.

The Attorney General (the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp K.C.) dealt with various parts of the defendant's evidence to show what Mr. Kemp called the defendant's "shiftiness." He submitted that it was hardly conceivable that these actions against Walter Ford and Co. could have been going on unknown to the defendant, especially in view of garnishee orders against his account obtained by the Bank. Mr. Kemp suggested that the defendant changed his solicitor because his usual solicitors knew about the antenepith agreement. Defendant's Club was in the same building as the offices of Walter Ford and Co. and could the Jury believe that the merchant, banker, opium farmer and partner in many firms did not take the trouble to make enquiries about this firm or about the claims on his banking account on its behalf?

The Chief Justice, in summing up, remarked to the Jury that they had had the opportunity of listening to a very able defence put forward by counsel for the defendant, in which he was sure they would agree counsel had exercised every possible ingenuity and ability. They had also listened to a well reasoned reply by the Attorney-General: it now became his duty to sum up.

"Unfortunately perjury is rife in these Courts," continued the Chief Justice. "I have had occasion, over and over again, to refer, since I have been on the Bench, to the great amount of false swearing that takes place. That however, should not weigh with you in the present case, one way or the other; but I think it my duty to say this, before I go on to the facts of the case, that the Crown, in my judgment was justified on the evidence as it stood, in submitting this case for the consideration of a Jury."

The Chief Justice quoted a definition of perjury as "a willfully false oath," one had to be clear that the false oath was taken with some degree of deliberation and not because the witness was surprised or spoke through inadvertence. The Chief Justice then read over the evidence of the principal witnesses on both sides and asked the Jury to consider their verdict.

After a retirement of about twenty minutes the Jury returned a unanimous verdict of "not guilty." The prisoner was accordingly discharged.

The Jury consisted of Messrs D. G. M. Bernard (foreman), G. P. Curry, H. A. Lommert, A. G. Coppin, R. M. Dyer, W. G. Goggin and E. J. Chapman.

HONGKONG BOOK CLUB.

The first annual meeting of the Hongkong Book Club was held last night at the Sanitary Board's offices, Mr. Tom Wright presiding. A large number of members were present and a still larger number of new books bought for the coming year were on view. A proposal was before the meeting to house the book case elsewhere than in the Sanitary Board offices but the generous facilities already afforded by the Head of the Sanitary Department were evidently so much appreciated that there was considerable reluctance to making any change. Ultimately the matter was left to the new Committee after inspection of the proposed "alternative accommodation."

Dr. W. W. Pearce, who was elected President, took occasion to express the appreciation of members of the services of Mr. Tom Wright, the first President, and the indefatigable secretary, Mr. Chas. Gorken. Reference was also made to Mr. Tom Wright's approaching departure from the Colony and his initiation of the idea of the Book Club. On the proposition of Mr. Shafrin, Mr. Wright was elected an honorary life member.

Mr. Chas. Gorken again undertook the duties of secretary and treasurer and Mr. and Mrs. Lane, Mr. P. T. Eamble, Mr. F. W. Shafrin and Mr. C. G. Anderson were elected to the Committee.

KOWLOON BURGLARIES.

ONE THIEF CAUGHT.

The youth who was yesterday remanded on a charge of being a rogue and vagabond, having been found in a lane at the back of Armand Building, Kowloon late on Sunday night with a screw-driver in his possession, was again before Mr. R. E. Lindsay this morning, when he was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

The case was remanded because the defendant had alleged that the screw-driver belonged to an amak employed at No. 2, Armand Building, who had asked him to fix a lock in the door of her room.

This morning the amak denied having had anything to do with the defendant, while a "boy" employed at the same house also denied having given the defendant any instructions to fix the lock. He admitted however, that he had allowed defendant to sleep in his room for one night and had given him food, but this was two or three days before defendant's arrest.

The Magistrate warned witness to be more careful in future as he had been harbouring a thief this time.

Before sentence was passed, Sub-Inspector Shann told the Magistrate the defendant had received 3 strokes on August 16 for larceny. When the police were investigating the burglary in Major Lloyd's residence, he proceeded, they found a footprint which tallied with the defendant's, but unfortunately the print was not complete and therefore defendant could not be charged in connection with burglary.

QUER MOTOR CAR CASE.

QUESTION OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIRED CARS.

Dr. Lee was yesterday fined \$5 by Mr. E. W. Hamilton for having left motor car No. 369 unattended outside the New Victoria Cafe in De Vaux Road, Central on the morning of the 13th inst.

The doctor said that he only received the summons a few days ago and it was very hard to remember the facts of the case after such a long interval. He admitted he was the driver of the car, but he did not use that morning and was not responsible for taking it out of the Dragon Garage. He suggested that if the car was taken out by another driver during his absence and without his knowledge, the garage people should be responsible. The car belonged to the garage and was hired by him day by day, on which occasions he drove it himself.

Inspector Garrard said there could be no question of not remembering the incident because he had warned the doctor on following morning that he would be summoned. The witness had seen Mr. Lawrie and the latter said that as Dr. Lee had hired the car for the day, the garage was not responsible.

The Magistrate held that Dr. Lee was responsible even though the car was taken out by someone else, and fined him.

ANOTHER S.P.C.A. CASE.

CRUELTY IN A BIRD SHOP.

Inspector Fisher of the S.P.C.A. charged the master of a bird shop before Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning with cruelty to a number of pigeons.

The Inspector said that there was no water near the birds, which were contained in two crates and were left outside the shop where the rays of the sun were beating on them. There were 18 pigeons in the top crate and 20 in the bottom one, and no matting was provided. The Inspector said that he had been to the shop on two occasions previous to this and had shown the regulations to the defendant and warned him to provide matting for the crates.

The defendant admitted these two visits and that he had been warned about the matting for the crates, and the Magistrate fined him \$25.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CLUB.

The Clerk of the weather did not succeed in dimming the ardour of the whist enthusiasts who turned up in force for the drive that took place on Monday evening at the Catholic Men's Club. The 84 ladies and gentlemen who braved the storm spent a very pleasant evening in spite of the gloom outside. Mr. C. O'Sullivan was the M.C. The prize winners were as follows: Ladies: M. Dwyer 180, Mrs. Haynes 175, Mrs. Spanton 173, Mrs. Redpath (Hidden number). Gentlemen: Mr. Hutchings 172, Mr. Pearce 173, Mr. Byrne 171, Mr. Ashmore (Hidden number).

PFKING REPORTS.

CHINA, RUSSIA, AND JAPAN.

SHANGHAI, August 29.

In Peking it is reported semi-officially that the Russo-Japanese conference at Chungchun will be concerned mainly with the reaching of an understanding regarding fishery rights which the Japanese acquired along the Siberian coast, the disposal of vast quantities of Japanese ammunition stored at Vladivostok, and the Nikolaevsk massacre. The first question is important through the possibility of the Reds taking over control of Vladivostok after the Japanese evacuation and not realizing that these fishery rights were officially alienated. As regards the ammunition, it appears that both China and Vladivostok are anxious to secure it, while the Japanese do not desire to raise any possible friction by selling to either party. On this same of the Japanese papers advocate the dumping of the lot in the sea. Finally the Nikolaevsk question has been pending so long that delay beyond the evacuation might consign the matter to perpetuity. Another question likely to come up is the navigation of the Amur. As the Chinese are vitally interested therein it is thought probable that China will be invited to participate in the discussions of it, while other questions may arise which cannot be settled without Chinese participation. No mention is made of Vladivostok participating but that centre may yet ask permission to send delegates as China is to be represented.

CORRESPONDENCE.

"TELEPHONE QUESTION."

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Dear Sir,—May I use your valuable columns to make a suggestion regarding the much discussed "Telephone question"?

I really think that protests will be of no value unless something of a strong argument is put before the Telephone Company.

In a case like that I think that all the subscribers should stick together and make it clear to the Telephone Company that they would discontinue the use of the telephone should the increase be imposed.

Is it not the only way to avoid this arbitrary increase?

I am,

Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,
"EREMU."

"TRAVELLING TRADESMAN"

ROBBED OF GOODS.

The loss by a Chinese "Travelling Tradesman" of a quantity of jewellery formed the subject of a charge of gang robbery preferred against a Chinese named Ho So at the Criminal Sessions this morning before the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies). The Crown Solicitor (Mr. H.K. Holmes) conducted the prosecution and Mr. Easley Zeilyn appeared for the defence.

Evidence was given that the complainant, passing through Hongkong on his way to Japan, put up at a house in Des Voeux Road and, while asleep on the verandah, was awakened by a man who had a revolver in each hand. This man said he had come to search for arms and told the complainant to "keep quiet or I will kill you." Six other intruders then appeared and the prisoner appeared to be the leader of them. They ransacked the place, after securing the complainant.

(Proceeding.)

H.M.S. "DESPATCH" ARRIVES.

The new cruiser H.M.S. "Despatch" arrived in port from Chatham, England, early this morning to take over duty on the China Station. She is now lying alongside the Dockyard wharf.

One (fatal) case of plague was reported yesterday, also a case of small-pox, a case of enteric fever and a case of rabies. The subject of the report in the last-mentioned case was, of course, a dog.

The Chamber of Commerce's Swatow Subscription list now totals \$81,466. The Club Lusitano gave \$350 and a sum of \$50 has also been received through the Rev. M. W. Shewell as a result of the collection made at the Church of England Military Services last Sunday.

KEEP IT HANDY.

Immediate relief is necessary in cases of diarrhoea. Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy should always be on hand for sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

POLISH ORPHANS.

SAIL BY THE N.Y.K. STEAMERS.

Wandering in the wilderness of Siberia away from their native land, without parents, without friends and even without supplies, so many Polish orphans have had to endure hardship and privation for such a long time as a result of the Great European War that the Japan Red Cross Society has again stretched out its hands to all-viate their suffering. In fact, the Japan Red Cross had to take three hundred and seventy Polish children into its detached Institute in Tokyo for more than a year and to send them to America in 1918, to be transferred to the Polish Relief Society established in Seattle, Washington, U.S.A. But unfortunately this Society has by this time declined to look after another group of the Polish children numbering four hundred and forty attending now on the way to Japan from Siberia. The Japan Red Cross has so arranged, therefore, to receive them at Osaka, when they arrive in Tsushima from Vladivostok; and to send them back directly to Danting on board the ship, "Katori Maru" and "Atsuta Maru" of N.Y.K. sailing from Kobe on the 22nd August and the 5th, September respectively. The steamship Company, in support of and in full sympathy with the humane project of the Red Cross Society, had made considerable allowances on their passages, beside making special provision of cabins for their accommodation.

It is said that H. M. the Empress hearing of these pitiful, helpless Polish children, has been so deeply moved that she has graciously given them supplies; and that many Japanese have followed her footsteps offering helps to the Japan Red Cross and extending their sympathy and kindness to those orphans in various, practical ways.

It is one of the chief objects of the League of Red Cross Societies to alleviate suffering of mankind. The Japan Red Cross adhering to the principles and spirit of the League has discharged on every occasion its duty ever since the Society was inaugurated.

P.W.D. MAN HURT.

TRUCK COOLIE CHARGED.

A truck coolie was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton this morning with careless driving of the vehicle, and causing injury to a P.W.D. workman.

Lieutenant Caygill produced a medical certificate, and said that the complainant was suffering from crushed toes, and was still in hospital. He asked for a week's remand.

The Magistrate said that a remand would entail great hardship on the defendant who was earning his living day by day and not on fixed wages, and asked if the case could not be heard earlier.

The Inspector said that the facts of the case were that the complainant was at work in Des Voeux Road, lying flat on the ground shovelling earth when the defendant came along with his truck. Defendant took no notice of the workman's presence on the road and did not make any attempt to swerve his vehicle, with the result that one of the wheels ran over the workman's toes.

The Magistrate said that in any case the complainant could not give much evidence as to what actually happened, as he would not know anything until after the wheel had passed over his foot. In any case, he would remand the case until Saturday next when he would take the evidence of one witness and then decide whether to prolong the case or to throw it out.

"TRYING HIS LUCK"

NOT ALTOGETHER SUCCESSFUL.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning with being a suspicious character and with having in his possession instruments that could be used for an unlawful purpose. The "instruments" produced in Court were a hollow bamboo pole, two sticks and a piece of wire. The police said that when the sticks were fastened to the pole, they could be used for hooking down clothing from the verandahs of houses. When the defendant was searched at the station, a small instrument resembling a chisel was also found on his person.

The defendant frankly admitted to the Magistrate that the pole belonged to a friend who was now in jail for larceny of clothing. Since he (defendant) could not find any work for the past few days owing to the rain, and in view of his friend's success and the ease with which he had managed to hook down clothing, he (defendant) decided to "try his luck" last night, but was arrested before he had actually started.

Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was passed.

HONGKONG INDEMNITY ORDINANCE.

"AN INTERESTING EXAMPLE OF CORPORATE IMMORALITY."

JAPAN PAPER'S COMMENT.

Commenting on the Indemnity Ordinance recently before the Hongkong Legislative Council, the Japan Chronicle says:—

From some correspondence in the Hongkong Daily Press it appears that the Hongkong Government made the nice little cumshaw of \$2,231,204.11 from the smaller shipowners during the war and has refused to make them any compensation. The story is an interesting example of corporate immorality. In March 1918 the Hongkong Government notified the smaller shipowners of the Colony of its intention to exercise control of those of their ships which were not at that date under requisition. The shipowners protested, more particularly against the rates of remuneration offered by the Government, but took no steps, as they did not want to touch the interests of the country during the war. As a consequence of the control they were forced to run their ships at a financial loss at a time when foreign competitors—notably the Japanese—were able to build up huge reserves. The requisition scheme was wound up in March 1919, and showed a profit of \$2,231,204.11, and in December 1919, in consequence of the smaller shipowners not getting a reasonable rate of remuneration for the use of their ships, a test action was commenced, but was suspended for some reason. Subsequently a tentative offer was made by the Government, which the shipowners were prepared to accept, when the Government suddenly withdrew it after consulting the unofficial members of the Council. The first statement of the Hongkong Government was that it was acting on the instructions of the Imperial Government and that any money that accrued would go to the Imperial Government for the prosecution of the war, but in March 1919, when the scheme was wound up, the Hongkong Government obtained the permission of the Imperial Government to retain the profits derived from the scheme and decided to use them in the construction of a hotel and flats at Kowloon and the extension of the educational facilities. After the test action was stated, however, the Hongkong Government expressed its willingness to negotiate the matter and made a tentative proposal which was acceptable but which was withdrawn later. Then in 1920 the Indemnity Act was passed by the Imperial Government and the Hongkong Government is now seeking to pass an Indemnity Ordinance, ostensibly to legalise war measures, but practically to prevent the shipowners seeking a judgement in the Courts which would endanger the retention by the Hongkong Government of the profits made under the scheme. There appears to have been some very sharp practice on the part of the Hongkong Government in first shifting the responsibility on to the Imperial Government and then, when it was allowed to retain the profit made, in refusing to come under the Imperial Indemnity Act but in introducing a special Indemnity Ordinance itself, specially to bar the shipowners from taking any action in the Court.

NOT SO BAD.

"THE REVENGE OF TARZAN"

Mr. Ray, who controls the destinies of the Coronet, confessed in one of his recent advertisements that although the trade papers praised "The Revenge of Tarzan" which he is showing at his theatre to-day and to-morrow, the picture offended his own aesthetic taste. He went so far as to offer a free pass to the Coronet for a month to the person who sent in the best criticism of the film. That is very candid of Mr. Ray but, judging by the reception which the picture is getting, he is not likely to find himself buried beneath an avalanche of critiques. Indeed it is safe to say that anybody who liked the other "Tarzan" pictures will like this one too. What ever may be charged against it, it certainly cannot be said that it lacks excitement. Whenever the great ape-man moves in civilised circles he continually finds it necessary to play a sort of "stacks on the mill" game with a dozen or so assassins and when he gets back to the jungle he puts huge lions out of action with a twist of his muscular hand, just as Samson did in the scriptures. The very clever animal photography alone makes the film worth while.

SPORT.

WATER P.O.

The R.G.A. defeated the Kings by four goals to nil in their league match at the V.R.C. bath yesterday evening. The infantrymen played a strenuous losing game and did not lose heart to the end. They tried persistently to get through the gunners' defence but the latter packed their goal so effectively that it was never in serious danger. The gunners also had the advantage of better combination and speed, and breaking away in sudden surprise attacks gave the Kings no chance of catching them up. The goalie did his best, but he was so overwhelmed by the attackers, that it was really to his credit that he allowed the ball past him only four times throughout the match. The scorers were: Reddick two; and Davis and Wood one each.

The V.R.C. scored a decisive victory over the United by eight goals to nil. Buschert was again the backbone of the V.R.C. forward line and scored five times in very convincing fashion. The other three goals were contributed by Rasmussen, Sewell and Watson. The V.R.C. have now completed their fixtures and are well in the lead, having won every match played.

To-morrow's fixtures are:—
U.A.C. v. Kings;
L.R.C. v. R.G.A.

BILLIARDS.

AN INTERESTING MATCH

Mr. F. H. Dillon, the energetic secretary of the Catholic Men's Club has arranged a very interesting billiards match to take place in the Club's premises on Saturday, September 2, commencing at 8 p.m., sharp. The game which will be 500 up will be between two well-known and tried experts of the Colony, namely, Sergeant J. Barchard, R.G.A., the military champion, and Mr. A. J. O'mund, ex-champion of the Colony, and champion of the Catholic Union. The game is already arousing much interest among billiard enthusiasts in the Colony particularly the servicemen and the young blood of the Union, as it promises to be the best exhibition seen ever since P. A. Yvanovich regained his title from his conqueror at the V.R.C. when there was no question that O'mund was properly beaten after opening well in the first innings of the game. The public will be welcome to attend Saturday's match.

TAILOR'S SHOP ROBBED.

The master of a tailor's shop at No. 14, Irving Street reports that about 10.15 last night, a man entered his shop and said that he had been sent by a man named Ah Kwong to take delivery of some clothing which had been ordered. The man was followed into the shop a couple of minutes later by three other men. They all four produced revolvers and daggers, and driving the master, his wife and his wife into a cubicle, bound and gagged them with pieces of firewood and bits of rag. The intruders then ransacked the place and stole some ready-made clothes, a quantity of jewellery and a few lengths of cloth worth \$234.

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A MENTAL CASE.

A FREUDIAN EXPLANATION!

Some sensation was experienced in the charge room at the Central Police Station yesterday when a young European entered and gave himself up to the Inspector saying that he had been guilty of sending indecent letters to various people in the Colony. As the man appeared to be mentally deranged, he was removed to the hospital for medical observation.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

REMOVAL NOTICE.

ANDERSEN, MEYER & CO., LTD., beg to announce the removal on September 1st, 1922, of their offices from

No 2 Queen's Road Central to

No. 67, 69 Des Voeux Road

(Site of the Old Victoria Theatre)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE.

From NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"CYMERIC,"

having arrived, from the above Port, Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 4th September, will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined at 10 a.m. on the 4th September.

Claims against the steamer must be presented within ten days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE, LIMITED.

General Agents.

Hongkong, August 30, 1922.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the China Mail, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

NOTICES.

LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

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EVERY REQUIREMENT IN

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| | BAMBOO BAY | " " |
| A 3635 | SWANEE BLUE BIRD | " " |
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| | VICTOR HERBERT | " " |

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INDUS MARUFriday, 8th Sept.

DETA & BANGKOK VIA SAIGON & SINGAPORE—Regular Monthly PASSENGER SERVICE.

RUBIO MARU (omitting Deli)Wednesday, 13th Sept.

CALCUTTA—Fortnightly service via Singapore, Hongkong.

SAIGON MARUSaturday, 30th Sept.

VICTORIA VANCOUVER, SEATTLE & TACOMA—Via Shanghai and Dairen—Taking cargo to OVERLAND POINTS U.S.A. Canada. Passenger Service.

HAWAII MARUFriday, 1st Sept.

NEW YORK VIA PANAMA.

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NEW ORLEANS VIA SUZU.

SUMATRA MARUThursday, 28th Sept.

JAPAN PORTS—Kobe & Yokohama via Shanghai.

ALTAI MARUSunday, 3rd Sept.

KESLUNG VIA SWATOW & AMOY. Three steamers have excellent accommodation for 1st and 2nd class passengers.

KIAIO MARUEvery Sunday.

AMAKUSA MARU

TAKAO VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

BOHRU MARUThursday, 7th Sept.

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SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

S.S. "TITAN"via Suez Canal5th Sept.

S.S. "CITY OF LINCOLN"via Suez Canal15th Sept.

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From	Due	From	Due
Hongkong	Vancouver	St. John	England
E/Asia	Sept. 7	E/France	Oct. 3
E/Canada	Sept. 21	E/Scotland	Oct. 17
E/Russia	Oct. 5	E/France	Oct. 21
E/Australia	Oct. 19	E/France	Oct. 25
E/Asia	Nov. 2	E/France	Nov. 23
E/Canada	Nov. 16	E/Scotland	Dec. 12
E/Russia	Nov. 30	E/France	Dec. 26

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September 16th. September 30th.

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Through Bills of Lading issued to all points in United States & Canada

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HAIFONG Capt. W. S. Turnbull FRIDAY, 8th Sept. at 1 p.m.

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FOR	STRAMERS	TO	PAK
WEIHAIWEI AND CHEFOO	To-day	4 p.m.	
SHANGHAI AND TSINGTAO	Sept.	1st Light.	
SAIGON	Sept.	1st Light.	
SHANGHAI	Sept.	1st Light.	
HAIPHONG	Sept.	1st Light.	
AMOY AND SHANGHAI	Sept.	1st Light.	
MANILA, CEBU AND LOILO	Sept.	1st Light.	
SWATOW AND AMOY	Sept.	1st Light.	
SHANGHAI AND TSINGTAO	Sept.	1st Light.	
SHANGHAI	Sept.	1st Light.	
HOIHOW AND PAKH I	Sept.	1st Light.	
SHANGHAI	Sept.	1st Light.	
SWATOW AND SINGAPORE	Sept.	1st Light.	
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SHANGHAI AND TSINGTAO	Sept.	1st Light.	
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO AND TIENTSIN	Sept.	1st Light.	
HOIHOW, PAKH I AND HAIPHONG	Sept.	1st Light.	

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SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.

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"Elkridge" 11th Sept.

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S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"JEYPORE"†	6,480	31st Aug. at Noon	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay.
"NOVARA"	6,480	13th Sept.	MADEIRA, LONDON & A'werp
"SOUDAN"	6,480	22nd Sept.	S'pore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"MACEDONIA"	10,412	27th Sept.	B'bay, MARSEILLES, L'bon, A'werp.
"KALYAN"	8,567	11th Oct.	B'bay, MARSEILLES, L'bon & A'werp.
"MANTUA"	11,600	25th Oct.	B'bay, MARSEILLES, L'bon & A'werp.
"DONGOLA"	8,567	8th Nov.	MADEIRA, LONDON & A'werp.
"NARVIN"	7,000	22nd Nov.	do.
"KARMALA"	9,000	8th Dec.	B'bay, MARSEILLES, L'bon, A'werp.
"KASHGAR"	9,000	27th Dec.	MADEIRA, LONDON & A'werp.
"FIASSY"	7,333	10th Jan. 1923	do.
"BARDINIA"	6,480	24th Jan.	do.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"GREGORY APCAR"	4,440	2nd Sept.	Calcutta via Singapore Port Swettenham and Penang.
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"EASTERN"	4,000	31st August at Noon	Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
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Frequent connections from Australia with the following—
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The P. & O. Royal Mail steamers to London via Fuez Canal.
The P. & O. Branch Service of steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Company's steamers for Southampton and London
via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"KALYAN"	8,567	31st Aug. at 7 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"SOUDAN"	6,480	7th Sept.	Shanghai.
"MACEDONIA"	11,600	8th Sept.	Shanghai.

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STEAMERS	TONS	LEAVE HONGKONG.
PERSEA MARU	9,000	August 31st 3 p.m.
TAIYO MARU	22,000	Sept. 8th.
SEIKO MARU	22,000	Sept. 16th.
SHINYO MARU	22,000	Oct. 16th.
SHINYO MARU	22,000	Nov. 2nd.

† Calling at Deirin and omitting Shanghai.
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SAN PEDRO SALINA CRUZ, BALBOA, OALLAO, MOLLEND, A
ARICA AND IQUIQUE.

STEAMERS	TONS	LEAVE HONGKONG.
GINYO MARU	17,500	Sept. 16th.
ANYO MARU	18,000	Oct. 9th.
SEIYO MARU	18,000	Nov. 16th.

† Omitting Manila.
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Those hardy tars liked the zestful
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taught all the world the pleasure of
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the best liked. Virginia's golden
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And in Old Mill cigarettes you
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its best. Try them today.

Also obtainable in
handy slide-packets
of 10 cigarettes.



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JAZZ BAND CONDEMNED.

A discussion on jazz bands, at a
meeting of the Paris Municipal
Council, has condemned those which
now exist in Paris to disappear one
year hence. The discussion has
nothing to do with the musical virtues
or failings of jazz bands, but with the
nationality of their personnel.
Musicians in Paris have complained
bitterly that, while a brown face and
a banjo often proved a short
cut to fortune, in Paris there were
thousands of skilled
French musicians unable to gain a
living. The municipality therefore
doomed that in restaurant and dan-
cing establishments 10 per cent of the
musicians must be Frenchmen. This
said the restaurant proprietors, would
mean the dissolution of their jazz
bands, which were chiefly composed
of foreigners, with whom they
had expensive contracts, and they
appealed that the
decree should be read as
requiring 10 per cent of the personnel
of the whole establishment to be
Frenchmen in order that jazz bands
could be retained. In this connection
it was stated that French musicians
as a whole have not taken kindly to
jazz music and the employment of for-
eigners in these bands was consequently
a necessity. During the discussion it
was pointed out that there are now
over three thousand musicians un-
employed here, among them artists
who had won high distinctions at the
Conservatoire. It was decided
ultimately that for one year only the
decree requiring that foreigners
should amount to only 10 per
cent of the personnel should
apply to staffs as a whole
but after that period it would apply
to individual orchestras. This means
either that jazz will decline in Paris
or that French musicians will take it
up more readily than they have done.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

The following is the Water Return for
June:—
Level and Storage of water in reservoirs
on the 1st July, 1922:—
CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS

LEVEL	1921	1922
City Level with overflow	467 ft. 0 in. Below overflow	467 ft. 0 in. Below overflow
City Level with overflow	24 ft. 1 in. Below overflow	24 ft. 1 in. Below overflow
City Level with overflow	48 ft. 1 in. Below overflow	48 ft. 1 in. Below overflow
City Level with overflow	43 ft. 6 in. Below overflow	43 ft. 6 in. Below overflow
City Level with overflow	24 ft. 6 in. Below overflow	24 ft. 6 in. Below overflow
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City Level with overflow	11 ft. 10 in. Below overflow	11 ft. 10 in. Below overflow
City Level with overflow	10 ft. 10 in. Below overflow	10 ft. 10 in. Below overflow
City Level with overflow	9 ft. 10 in. Below overflow	9 ft. 10 in. Below overflow
City Level with overflow	8 ft. 10 in. Below overflow	8 ft. 10 in. Below overflow
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VERDICT AND SENTENCE.

The trial of A. M. Spence and G. Y. Chalmers in connection with alleged bogus insurance company frauds was concluded at H. M. Supreme Court, Shanghai, on August 25, before His Honour Judge Grain and a jury. The accused gave evidence in the witness box, Chalmers going into the history in some detail, and both denied being directly concerned in the insurance business, and said they had no reason to believe the two companies were other than genuine. His Lordship concluded his summing up on the stroke of five and the jury retired. They returned in 10 minutes with a verdict of guilty against both accused.

Chalmers was then charged that on April 15, 1919, he was convicted on two charges of *estafa* (embezzlement) by the Court of First Instance in Manila, and sentenced to serve 18 months' imprisonment and pay an indemnity of P65,000.

He pleaded guilty. His Lordship, after commenting upon the serious character of the offence and saying that he regarded Chalmers as the leading mind in the conspiracy, sentenced Chalmers to 18 months' imprisonment, and Spence to 12 months' with hard labour.

THE HANKOW AGENCY.

Damiano de la Vega, a Spaniard, of Tientsin Road, Hankow, who described himself as a stenographer, identified Chalmers as being a gentleman whom he met at Hankow. He met him in June last, at a Chinese dinner, and later at the Hankow Hotel. Witness met him by appointment. He did not discuss business with Chalmers. Wallace made the appointment, and it was he who offered witness the agencies of the two insurance companies. He asked for a deposit of Tls. 1,000 and after two days' consideration witness agreed, first consulting a man named Mack. Witness was told that the companies were genuine and that each had a capital of Tls. 1,000,000. Chalmers was present throughout the interview, but Wallace did the talking. The two of them called at witness's house on July 4, and an agreement was drawn up and signed by witness and two relatives and by Wallace and Chalmers. Wallace said the agreement had been typed out by Chalmers. On July 5, Wallace and Chalmers called again by appointment, and witness handed over Tls. 1,430 receiving a receipt signed by Wallace. Wallace told witness that he was in charge of the insurance business and Chalmers said he was in charge of the import and export department of the Celestial Trading Co. Insurance policies, stationery and stamps were given to witness but he did no business because no power of attorney was given to him. He stated it would be sent to him from Shanghai. A agreement stipulated that the firm should pay office rent, but witness received none.

His Lordship—Did you ever get any of your money back again?

Witness—No. In answer to Mr. Priestwood, witness said he understood Wallace to be the agent for the two companies. Chalmers counted out the money and handed it over to Wallace, and in the afternoon, the latter announced that he had remitted the whole amount to Shanghai.

SPENCE "BOSSING AROUND." Sam Schiller, Wallace's brother-in-law, was next called. He stated that he had known Chalmers a little over a year and had worked for him in the North China Trading Co. Witness knew hardly anything about the North China Trading Co. Witness went on to describe the interview at which Chalmers, in the presence of Spence, first informed Wallace, at the office of the Celestial Mercantile Co., that he was opening up an insurance business. Spence asked what experience Wallace had had, and he was told that he had been a manager. On June 1, witness began work in the insurance office as clerk, receiving \$50 a month to learn the business. He did not see Spence for a day or two, but

after that Spence started bossing around, and it looked as if he were boss. Witness never got any salary. Det. Sgt. Douglas was the last witness for the prosecution. He gave evidence of arrest. The warrant for Chalmers was executed on July 14 at 8 Kiangse Road, at the office of the Yorkshire Trading Co. He said: "After Spence was arrested yesterday I expected this." The office of the Yorkshire Trading Co. was next to that of the Celestial Mercantile Co. The same evening, Chalmers wrote out and signed a statement.

EVIDENCE BY CHALMERS.

The case for the Crown having been concluded, Mr. Priestwood at once put Chalmers into the witness box. Accused stated that he was employed by Bows from November, 1921, until February 1922, in the business of Frank R. Bows & Co., Inc.

Was it a substantial company?—It was in good credit at the A-Bank, and had very good import and export agencies; also the agency of the Colonial Marine Underwriters, Montreal. He expected to get the agencies for several other companies. Bows's company went into liquidation early in February, and shortly afterwards witness had a turn in hospital. Bows visited him there on several occasions and, on witness leaving the hospital, invited him to share his room at Frederick's Hotel. Witness did so remaining until Bows moved to No. 1 Peitaiho Lane, in March.

It was generally understood that witness would open a new company for Bows, and do insurance business, and witness arranged to open an office at 8 Kiangse Road. There were conversations about insurance and they were joined in by Chase, who was supposed to do the insurance business. Advertisements for a company were placed in the Chinese newspapers by Bows and were paid for by him. Bows also made up the replies which were supposed to be signed by Chase, who was going to be the insurance agent. Chase already had a life insurance agency, and this was included in Bows's advertisement. Chase was supposed to interview applicants for the post of insurance company, but when he did not turn up at Peitaiho Lane, witness was there. Chase and Bows were unable to agree on the money question and Chase dropped out of the business, after having gone so far as to get offices in the N.K.K. building. Witness first heard the names of the two companies from Bows.

BELIEF IN COMPANIES.

Mr. Priestwood—What did you understand exactly about them?

Witness—I understood they were genuine companies; otherwise I would not have had anything to do with them.

Counsel—What was Bows's idea?

Witness—He was prepared to give away the agencies for a consideration. Counsel—What were you going to pay Bows? Tls. 500 for the insurance agencies and Tls. 500 for the import and export.

Were you aware that these companies had not been incorporated?

Witness—It is absolutely untrue to suggest that. Witness added that, until Bows went into the witness box, he had never heard of the suggestion that no business should be done until Bows came from America. The first cheque for Tls. 250 paid by the company was handed at once to Bows.

Do you know anything about insurance business?—Very little.

What was your idea, then, as to how these companies should be run?

My idea was to appoint a manager to run the companies.

at the time and said he would go down and guarantee Bows's bill, which he did.

Witness understood that Bows was going to give the agencies to Wallace. Bows knew witness was running the import office, and had no time to worry about insurance.

Did you receive any money under the compradore agreement?—On May 16 or 18 I received a cheque for Tls. 500 and that was handed over to Wallace.

Did you get the money?—No I did not. Wallace had the money and was taking all responsibility.

Questioned with regard to the agreement Wallace was asked to sign, witness said: Wallace asked me if he could sign policies, and I said I did not know whether he could or not—it was up to him. I knew I had no power of attorney, so I could not sign any. If he intended to sign policies, I wanted something to show freeing me from all responsibility. Wallace sent several telegrams to "Chapman" at Chiofoo.

Questioned as to advertisements published in the Chinese press, witness said he had nothing whatever to do with them.

Wallace's letter to the compradore asking for a further Tls. 1,000 was in the nature of an ultimatum, either to pay up or get out. If he would not pay, Wallace was going to put in his own compradore. Witness did not type the letter. It was done on Wallace's machine.

Why did you mark the letter "approved"? I thought it best to give the compradore a chance of retaining his position, as I had been more or less responsible for getting him there.

NO PART IN INSURANCE WORK.

Did you take any part in the work of the insurance companies?—None at all.

Were you consulted about risks, policies, or anything at all?—Nothing at all. It was no good consulting me about risks. I knew nothing about them.

Did you sign any policies?—None at all.

Wallace showed witness the letter from the American Consulate, and witness told him the best thing he could do would be to go and see the Consul-General straight away.

With regard to the outward journey, witness said he went to Hangchow because the trip was made on a Sunday, and he spent the day on the lake. He did not go to Ningpo. He went to Ningpo because the occasion was a Chinese festival. He also went to Hankow, with the intention of looking up import and export business. Wallace did the insurance work and approached de Vega about taking up the agency, witness having nothing to do with the negotiations. He did tell de Vega that offices had been opened in Shanghai. He did type out the agreement because it had to be signed at noon and Wallace's clerk had not turned up.

Had you any idea or suspicion up to the time that these companies were not genuine companies?—None at all.

Cross-examined by Mr. Messop, witness said he had conducted the North China Trading Co., and the Northern Steamship Co.

When you chartered the str. "Ralph Moller" at \$10,000 a month, what capital had you?—None, personally.

At the end of six months you owed \$20,000 odd?

Mr. Priestwood—Is my friend entitled to put these questions?

His Lordship—Are they material? Mr. Messop—I am leading up to this, that this man is a man of straw. That is only a civil debt. I make no suggestion of improper conduct. You will admit, counsel continued, that the North China Trading Co. failed financially?

Witness—It smashed. Your compradore had guaranteed a considerable amount, which he had to pay out?—He had. But I don't think I can be held responsible for that.

When you started these business discussions at Peitaiho Lane in April what was your financial standing?—Very small.

The same with Spence?—You must ask Spence.

You knew Bows was arrested in connection with the Colonial Marine Underwriters of Montreal?—Yes. I was in charge when he was arrested. Witness added that he certainly thought the German-American Co. and the World's Underwriters were genuine companies. He thought they must already have been incorporated, since he did not see how a man like Bows could go to America and incorporate an insurance company.

Did you think it quite natural that Bows should change his name?—Well, I never did it, but he seemed to think it was.

Witness explained that the York Trading Company, of which he was manager, was a concern for the manufacture of cigarettes in Shanghai, and the Chinese were behind him in this.

Did Bows tell you anything about these insurance companies, about their capital, etc.?—No.

Did it not strike you as peculiar that a genuine American company should have its policies printed in Shanghai?—No. The Colonial Underwriters had their policies printed here as well. In connection with that company Bows was arrested for embezzlement. As far as I know the company is still running.

When Wallace took over the agencies of these two companies, you dropped out, is that the idea?—That is the idea. I had nothing else to do with them.

NO BANKING ACCOUNTS.

Mr. Messop continued his cross-examination when the hearing was resumed in the afternoon.

Did these insurance companies ever have a banking account, Counsel asked.

Witness—No. Did the Celestial Mercantile Co. ever have a banking account?

Witness—It never did. Did the Yorkshire Trading Co. ever have a banking account?

Witness—It never did. Did G. Y. Chalmers ever have a banking account?

Witness—He had—once. When the letter of inquiry arrived from the American Consulate, didn't you think it about time to inquire into the genuineness of these companies?

Witness—At that time I was not interested in the companies, and I left the whole thing to Wallace. It was their business, not mine.

It was up to you to find out whether these companies were genuine or not, and not wait until the American authorities told you.

Witness—To tell you the truth, I did not pay much attention to it. I had my own business to attend to.

Are you still of the opinion that these two companies are genuine?

Witness—Well, I have heard nothing... So far as I know there is nobody who said they were not. You have listened to the evidence. Are you still not convinced?

Witness—I seem to have heard the name "World's Insurance" before. I still think there may be a "World's Insurance." I seem to think there is one.

His Lordship—Why?

Witness—I seem to have heard the name.

His Lordship—We have all heard the name during the past few days.

SPENCE'S STORY.

Spence then gave evidence on his own behalf. He stated that whilst resident at Peitaiho Lane he overheard conversations relating to insurance, but took no interest whatever in the proceedings. On one occasion witness was the only foreigner there when the prospective compradore called and witness handed a draft agreement to him; and when the agreement was signed a few days later, he was called downstairs to witness it. He took no part in the discussion. The first time he had any dealings with these insurance companies was about June 9, when Wallace showed him a letter from the U.S. Consul-General. Wallace asked for advice, and witness suggested he should interview the Consul-General. Witness also drafted out a reply on the back of the letter and handed it to Wallace. It was to be inferred from Wallace's manner that there was some slight difficulty about his interviewing the Consul-General and witness offered to assist him. He saw Mr. Perkins, a friend of his, who called on behalf of Wallace and also saw the Consul-General, who referred him to the District Attorney. Witness understood to produce the insurance documents called for, thinking that Wallace who knew all about the insurance business would have them in his possession. When Wallace went to Hankow, he informed the staff that witness would sign p.p. during his absence, and accordingly, he attended the office for half an hour in the morning and half an hour in the afternoon to sign policies. Witness had nothing to do with the finances or insurance details.

KNOWING NOTHING OF INSURANCE.

Cross-examined by Mr. Messop, Spence said that he had an office at 8 Kiangse Road in connection with a Chinese pictorial magazine which he was starting. In his interview with the District Attorney, he did not mean to convey the impression that he was agent or representative of these companies. Knowing nothing at all about insurance, witness was not even aware that an agent required a power of attorney. He expected that the papers required by the American Authorities would be in the office, taking it that everything was in order.

In a letter you drafted to be sent to the American Chamber of Commerce, you undertook to supply information such as the names of the stockholders in these two companies, particulars of incorporation, copies of the last financial statement, etc.; where were you going to get that information?

Witness—It was no concern of mine, since I had nothing to do with the insurance business. I was simply asked to draft the letter for Wallace, who seemed unable to do it himself.

I suggest that these letters to the Consul-General and the Chamber of

Commerce, were purposely written by you to bluff these people and keep them off the track? The letters are full of inaccuracy and untruth.

Witness—I do not agree. You told Det. Sgt. Yorke that you were agent for these companies, and that you had received the agencies from a man called Smithson.

Witness—I said so. Was Det. Sgt. Yorke's evidence accurate?

Witness—Perfectly accurate.

COUNSEL'S ADDRESSES.

This concluded the evidence for the defence, and Mr. Messop then addressed the jury. The evidence had beyond doubt established the fact that these two companies did not exist. Counsel observed, and he asked the jury to say that, on the known facts, Chalmers and Spence must have known this. Counsel suggested that Spence interviewed and wrote to the American authorities (who addressed Wallace) in the hope that they would take no further interest in the matter upon discovering that it concerned a British subject.

Speaking on behalf of Chalmers, Mr. Priestwood said he was not going to pretend that these companies were genuine at all. It was for the prosecution to prove that; and more than that, they must prove that a case could be made against them. On the prosecution's own story, the charge against Chalmers of having obtained money at Hankow by false pretences must fail.

Wallace gave his evidence, said counsel, as though he were repeating a well-learned lesson, and it was vindictive evidence. He was concerned only in clearing himself. The evidence disclosed a lot of loose business methods, but if this was a crime, accused were not charged with it. The jury might say the state of affairs shown to exist was not business. He did not for a moment ask them to say that it was; but it was one thing to criticize business methods and a vastly different thing to say the accused carried on a conspiracy.

His Lordship then summed up, beginning by saying that the non-existence of the two companies was uncontradicted and undisputed. Did Chalmers and Spence know they had never existed? If the accused believed, and had reason to believe that the companies were bona fide, then the jury must find them not guilty.

His Lordship commented upon the misfortune of the compradore, who paid out \$5,000, without getting a penny back.

After a short deliberation the jury returned a verdict of "guilty" against both defendants.

Asked if he had anything to say in mitigation of sentence, Mr. Priestwood said he could only urge that Chalmers had had many misfortunes and in face of certain circumstances found it difficult to obtain employment.

SUOR ON BRITISH REPUTATION.

His Lordship, in passing sentence, said: Chalmers and Spence, you have been found guilty after a full and careful trial in which everything possible has been said on your behalf, and I am bound to say I agree entirely with the jury. On the evidence before them I do not see how they could have come to any other verdict. Your offence is a very serious one, for many reasons. For one thing, it is an offence which casts a slur on that reputation for honesty which the British have obtained throughout China. It is serious because you have defrauded poor people, and further because indirectly it injures firms established in China by lowering the foreigners' reputation for honesty. You, Chalmers, have been previously convicted for embezzlement and fraud. It is true, that part of your sentence was remitted upon condition that you went away to a certain country and did not return. You were given money to go to that country, but instead of doing so you came to Shanghai and started again on a fraudulent career. The maximum sentence I have power to give you is two years with hard labour, but I hesitate to pass that. Although I ought to give you a longer sentence, than that you had before, nevertheless I shall sentence you again to 18 months' imprisonment with hard labour. As for you, Spence, your case is different. Chalmers, I think, was the leading mind in this conspiracy and I shall also take into account the fact that you have got a clean record. I must pass such sentence, however, as will not only be a punishment but a deterrent to others, and you will therefore go to jail for 12 months with hard labour.

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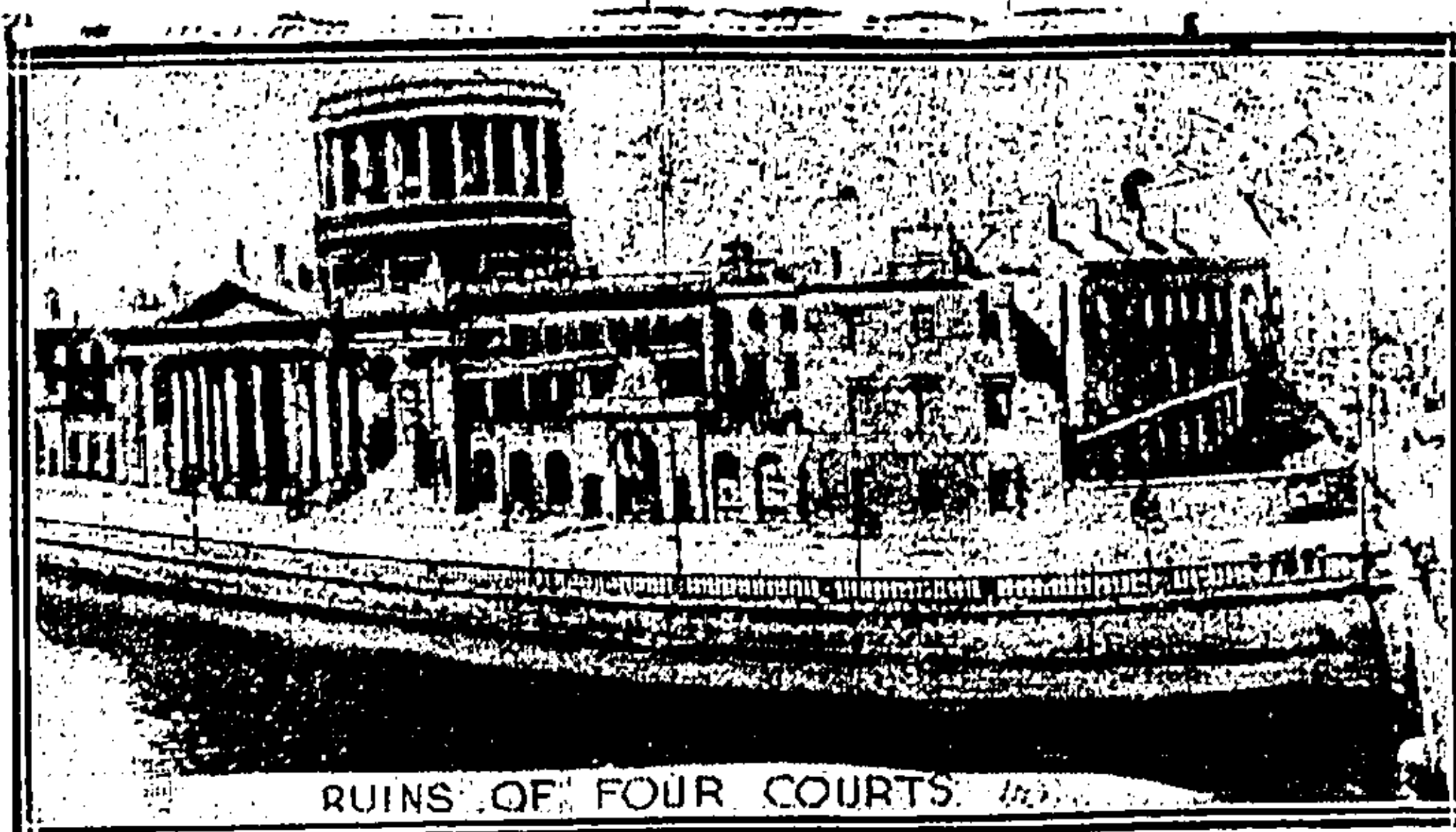
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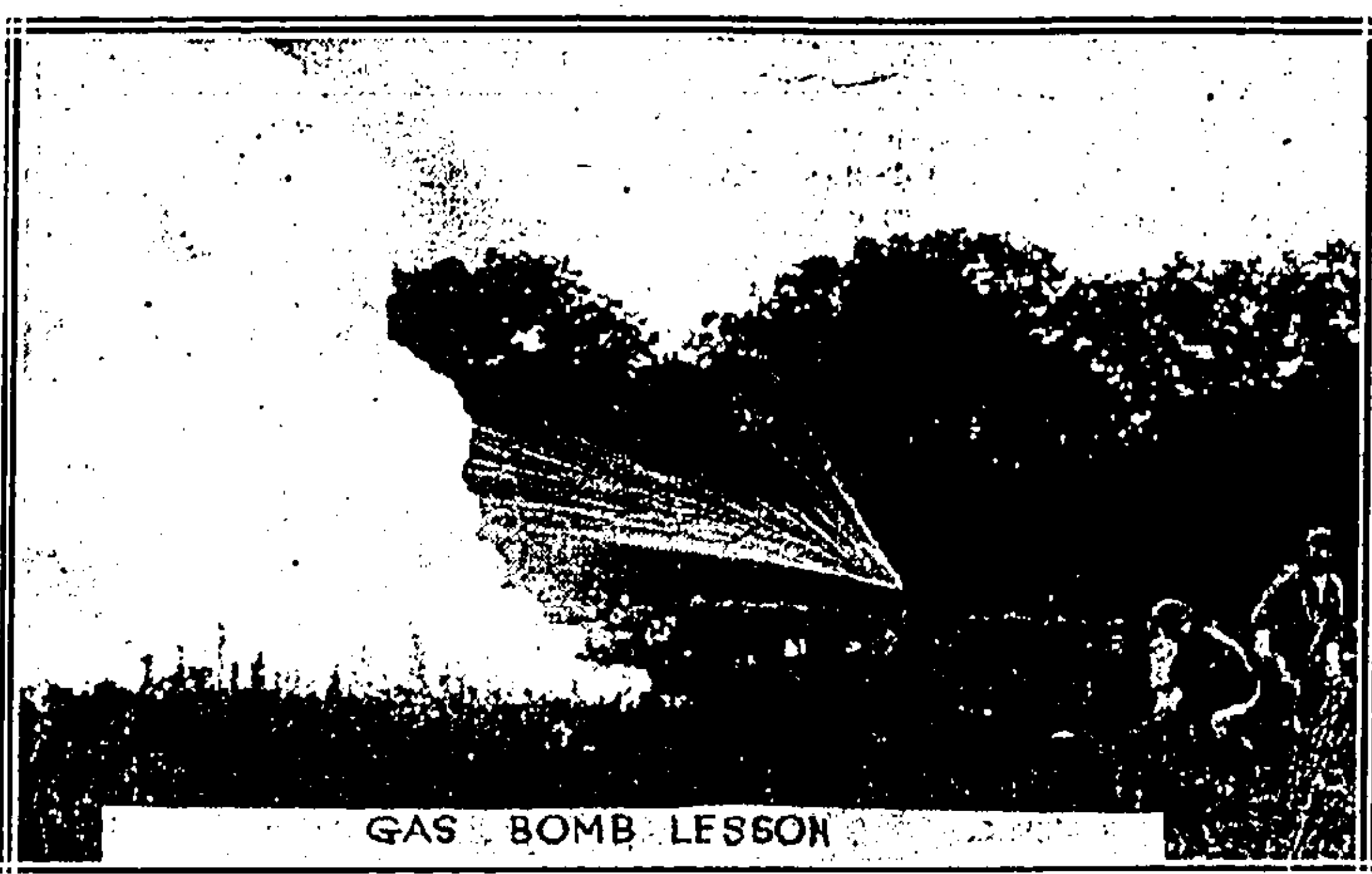
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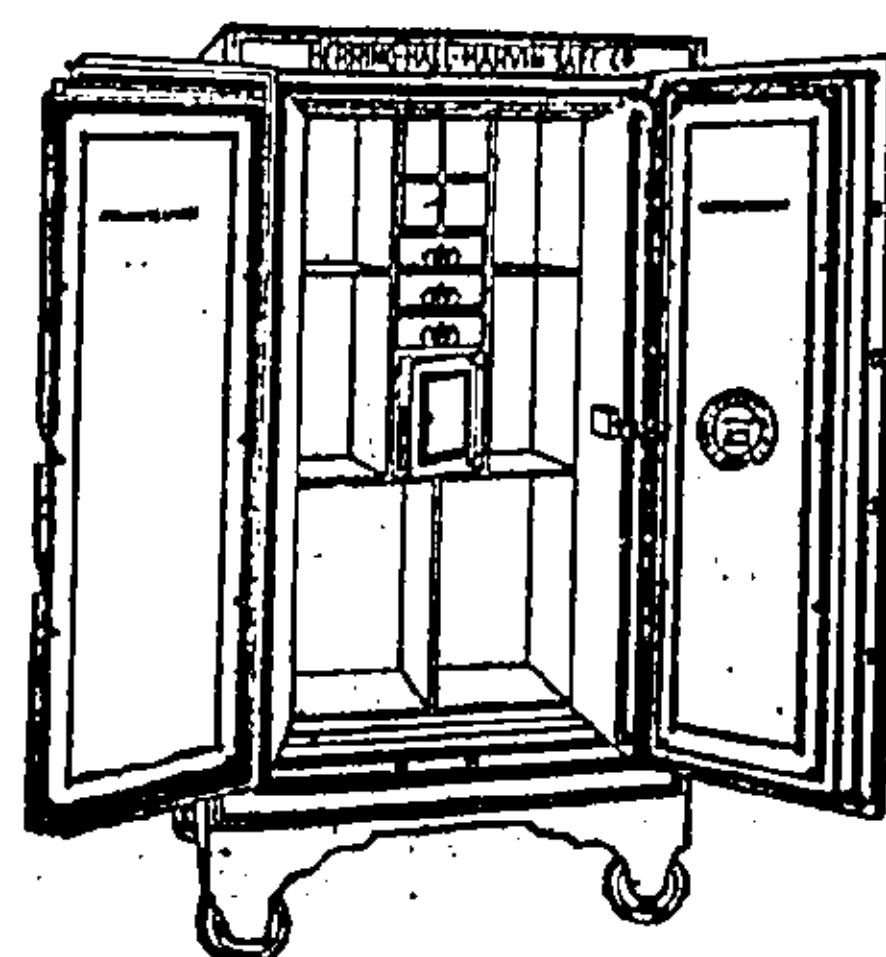
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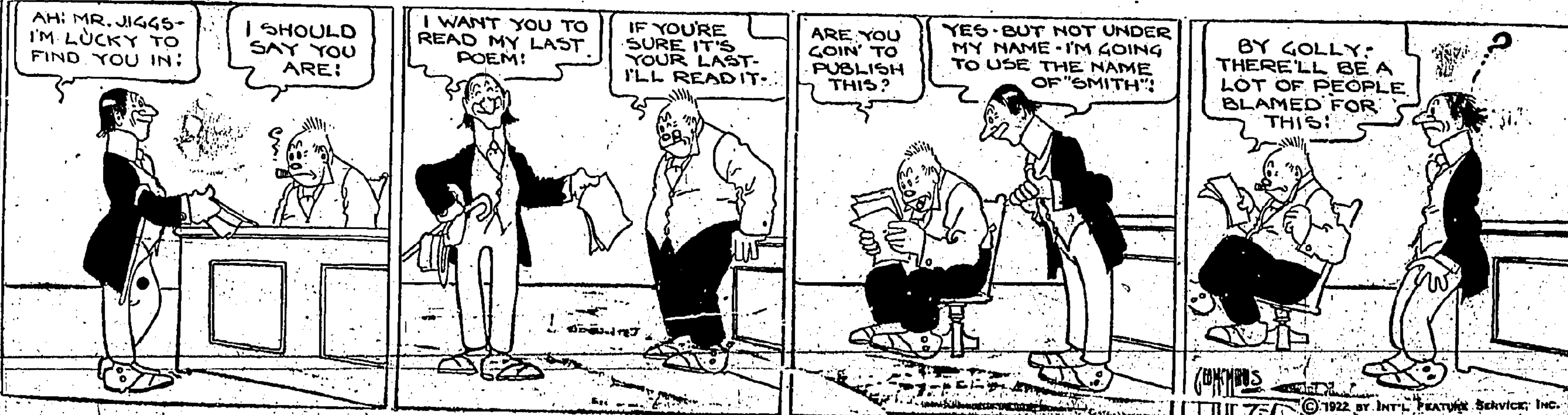
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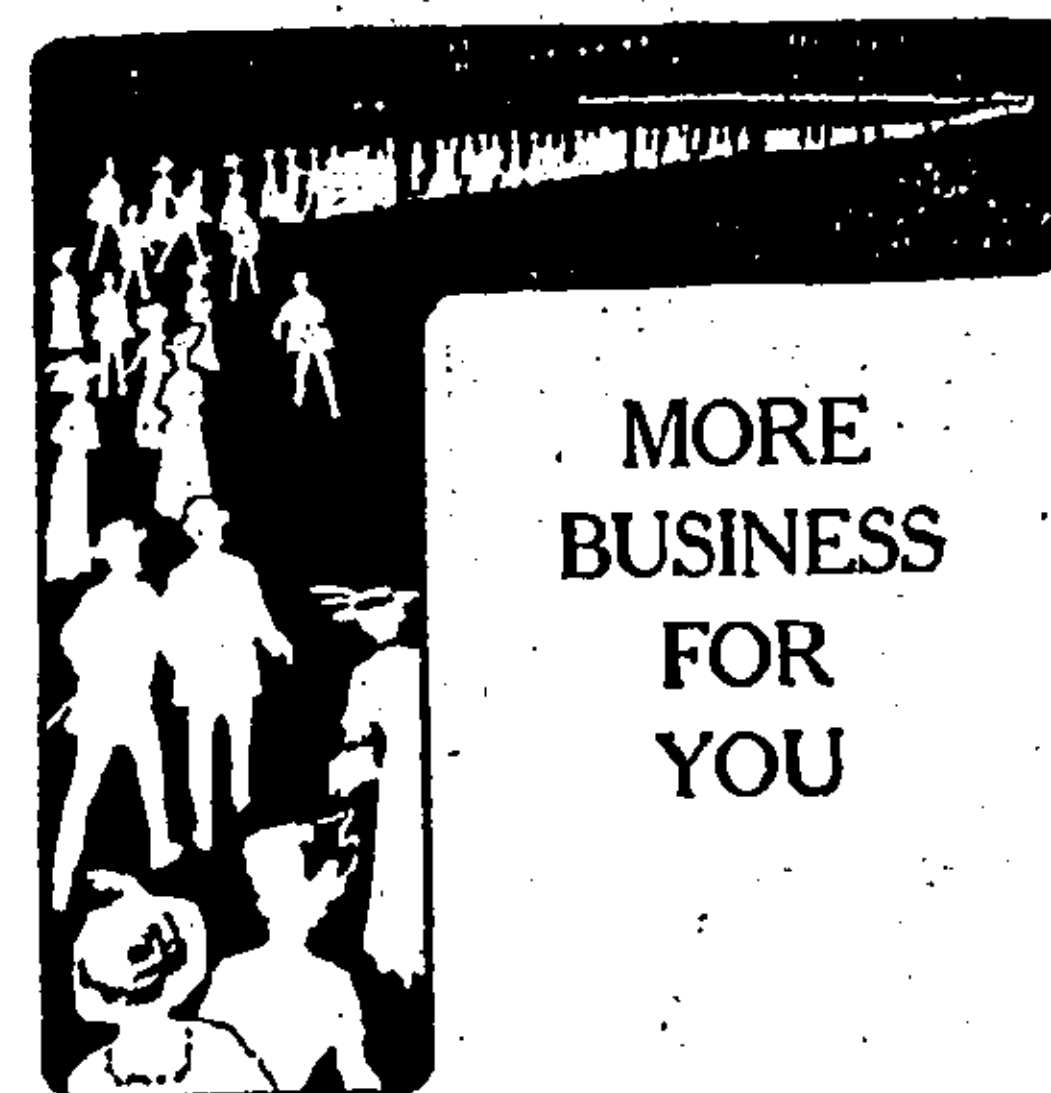
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